

NEWS RELEASE



***OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
San Diego, California***

***United States Attorney
Laura E. Duffy***

For Further Information, Contact: Assistant U. S. Attorney Paul L. Starita, 619-557-6507

For Immediate Release

NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY - September 30, 2010.

United States Attorney Laura E. Duffy announced the sentencing today of Alberto Noriega-Perez on 38-counts of conspiracy to bring in illegal aliens for financial gain; conspiracy to harbor illegal aliens; bringing in illegal aliens for financial gain; and harboring illegal aliens. United States District Court Judge Jeffrey T. Miller sentenced Noriega-Perez to serve 60 months in custody on each count, to run concurrently, and three years of supervised release. A federal jury found Noriega-Perez guilty on December 14, 2009.

Additionally, Judge Miller upheld and ordered forfeited two properties owned by Noriega-Perez, which the jury found were used to facilitate the crimes of conviction. The properties are a 30-acre property located at 2001 East McCabe Road, Holtville, California and a one-acre property located at 1621 East Alamo Road, Holtville, California.

DEFENDANT**Case Number: 06cr2268-JM**

Alberto Noriega-Perez

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

Counts: 38

Title 18, United States Code, Section 371; Title 8, United States Code, Section 1324 (a) (2) (B) (ii) (Conspiracy to Bring in Illegal Aliens for Financial Gain);

Title 8, United States Code, Sections 1324 (a) (1) (A) (iii) and (v) (I) (Conspiracy to Harbor Illegal Aliens;

Title 8, United States Code, Section 1324 (a) (2) (B) (ii) (Bringing in Illegal Aliens for Financial Gain)

Title 8, United States Code, Section 2 (Aiding and Abetting);

Title 8, United States Code, Section 1324 (a) (1) (A) (iii) and (v) (II) (Harboring Illegal Aliens and Aiding and Abetting; and

Title 18, United States Code, Section 982 (a) (6) (Criminal Forfeiture).

INVESTIGATING AGENCIES

Immigration and Customs Enforcement

United States Border Patrol